

# Lancaster County 4-H update

LANCASTER — As usual, Lancaster County 4-H'ers have been keeping a busy schedule so far this summer.

From June 9-12, 210 campers and counselors attended Camp Nawaka in Adams County. Six counties were involved in the campout.

Backpacking, swimming, hiking, and even rocketry were on the list of activities.

Junior members who attended the camp had the opportunity to sleep in wood cabins, but their senior camp friends had to find a home on the ground with only a small tent to cover them.

Other news in Lancaster 4-H is the growing clown club started by

Nancy Meyers, 4-H Agent. Members will be meeting to don faces in the next few weeks. Anyone interested in joining the club, call Nancy at 394-6851.

Looking ahead, Lancaster County will say goodbye to a week to 30 of its 4-H'ers. They will be heading to Massachusetts, July 26 to August 2, as part of an exchange trip.

On August 10-12, judging teams will be traveling to Penn State for state days. You must be 14 years of age to qualify.

Achievement Day has been set for August 27 at the Farm and Home Center.

Look for further details in future issues of Lancaster Farming.—DK



Just clowning around are these members of the Lancaster 4-H clown club: Dan Forry, Melanie Rohrer, Gini Nissley, and leader Nancy Meyers.



Fred Rudy and Sue Clouse find cooking over coals a slow way to get food at Camp Nawaka.



Three nights in a tent was enough for the senior campers from Lancaster County. Junior members spent their nights in the wood cabins nearby.



Junior members of Camp Nawaka were project. Not only did they build their own, but given the opportunity to try rocketry as a they also launched them.



"And we thought camping was supposed to be fun, not work," these campers mumble at Camp Nawaka in Adams County. Five counties attended along with Lancaster.

## Belvidere FFA wins top awards

BELVIDERE, N.J. — The Belvidere FFA Chapter and several of its members won top awards in competition at the 52nd annual N.J. State FFA Convention held recently at Cook College, Rutgers University, in New Brunswick.

The chapter was named the top chapter in the state by placing first in the National Chapter Emblem and Evaluation Contest.

The Belvidere FFA also earned first place in the Chapter Safety Contest and will compete on the national level in both contests.

Other chapter awards were first in public relations and a first-place regional award for its Building Our American Communities (BOAC) project.

Janet Johnson was elected State FFA Secretary and Advisor Bryan

Leh was elected as the advisor representative to the executive committee.

Member awards included:

Steve Menegers - Agricultural Mechanics Proficiency Award.

Howie Malon - Placement in Agricultural Production Proficiency Award; second place in the state tractor driving contest.

Jack Burdge - third place in livestock judging.

Tammy Disbrow - second place in horse judging.

Earl Makatura - first place in poultry judging.

Ed March - fifth place in dairy products judging.

Keith Rush and Greg Lampert received the Garden State Farmer Degree, the highest degree of the state association.

## Farmland assessment sessions set

FLEMINGTON, N.J. — Two workshop sessions have been scheduled by the Hunterdon County Cooperative Extension Service to explain the Farmland Assessment program and to aid applicants in completing the required forms. Dates are Tuesday, July 14, 2-4 p.m., and Thursday, July 16, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

These sessions will be held in the Conference Room in the Extension Center, Rt. 31, north of Flemington, according to Calvin Wettstein, County Agricultural Agent.

Leader will be John M. Hunter, Specialist in Public Policy at Cook College, Rutgers, the State University. Hunter is the

Cooperative Extension Service's authority on farmland assessment, says Wettstein.

Also participating in the program will be Richard Wagner, new County Agricultural Agent.

The extension agents stress the importance of observing the August 1 filing deadline for the annual forms.